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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 2814

Application No.: 10/099,963

Examiner: L. PHAM

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Docket No.: 038839.02

For: A METHOD FOR FORMING CRYSTALLINE SEMICONDUCTOR LAYERS, A METHOD FOR FABRICATING THIN FILM TRANSISTORS, AND A METHOD FOR FABRICATING SOLAR CELLS AND ACTIVE MATRIX LIQUID CRYSTAL DEVICES

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2003, Applicant requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.

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REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending. By the Office Action, claims 1-14 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting.

I. Double Patenting Rejection

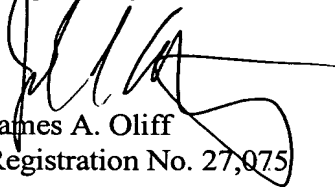
Claims 1-7 and 8-14 are rejected under the judicially-created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-7 of grand-parent U.S. Patent No. 6,066,516. Although Applicant does not necessarily agree with the rejections, in the interest of advancing prosecution, a properly executed Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith. Accordingly, the rejections are overcome and should be withdrawn. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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